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For: TRANSPARENT COLORING COMPOSITION AND COLOR FILTER

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 18, 2005 and the requirement for an election of species re-presented in it, applicant elects the species:

"a composition without a transparent resin"

and the species:

"inorganic particles with a surface modifier layer" as featured in claims 2 and 3.

The examiner is encouraged to examine the full scope of claims 1-16 included the nonelected species particularly if it is determined that it would be appropriate to return them into prosecution. MPEP $\S809.02(c)$.

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Please examine the elected claims and at least the elected species on the merits taking into account the documents cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 7, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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